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HOUSE BILL NO. 1856

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TRENT.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to MO HealthNet work requirements, with a contingent effective date.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 208.063, to read as follows:

**208.063. 1. No individual shall be eligible to participate in the MO HealthNet
2 program unless that individual is:**

3 **(1) Working twenty hours or more per week, averaged monthly;**

4 **(2) Participating in and complying with the requirements of a work program for
5 twenty hours or more per week, as determined by the department;**

6 **(3) Volunteering twenty hours or more per week, as determined by the department;**

7 **(4) Meeting any combination of working and participating in a work program for
8 a total of twenty hours or more per week, as determined by the department;**

9 **(5) Participating and complying with the requirements of a workfare program; or**

10 **(6) Exempt from the work requirement under subsection 2 of this section.**

11 **2. The work requirement under this section shall not apply to an individual if he
12 or she is:**

13 **(1) Under nineteen years of age;**

14 **(2) Sixty-four years of age or older;**

15 **(3) Medically certified as physically or mentally unfit for employment;**

16 **(4) A parent or caretaker responsible for the care of a dependent child under one
17 year of age;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 **(5) A parent or caretaker personally providing the care for a dependent child with**
19 **serious medical conditions or with a disability, as determined by the department;**

20 **(6) Receiving unemployment compensation and complying with work requirements**
21 **that are part of the unemployment compensation system; or**

22 **(7) Participating in a drug addiction or alcoholic treatment and rehabilitation**
23 **program.**

24 **3. The department of social services shall submit any state plan amendment or**
25 **waiver needed to implement the provisions of this section.**

26 **4. The department shall promulgate all rules and regulations necessary for the**
27 **purposes of carrying out this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined**
28 **in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become**
29 **effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and,**
30 **if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any**
31 **of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay**
32 **the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held**
33 **unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted**
34 **after August 28, 2018, shall be invalid and void.**

 Section B. The provisions of section 208.063 of section A of this act shall become
2 effective upon the approval of the state plan amendment or waiver, or both, submitted under
3 subsection 3 of section 208.063 of section A of this act. The department shall notify the revisor
4 of statutes upon the receipt of any such amendment or waiver.

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